

## [CHAPTER 368]

## AN ACT

To provide for loss of United States nationality under certain circumstances.

July 1, 1944  
[H. R. 4103]  
[Public Law 406]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That section 401 of the Nationality Act of 1940 (54 Stat. 1168; 8 U. S. C. 801) is amended by substituting a semicolon for the period after the last word in subsection (h) of such section, adding the word "or" to the said subsection, and adding a new subsection to be known as subsection (i) and to read as follows:

Nationality Act of 1940, amendments.  
*Ante*, p. 4; *post*, p. 746.

Renunciation in time of war.

"(i) making in the United States a formal written renunciation of nationality in such form as may be prescribed by, and before such officer as may be designated by, the Attorney General, whenever the United States shall be in a state of war and the Attorney General shall approve such renunciation as not contrary to the interests of national defense."

SEC. 2. Section 403 (a) of the Nationality Act of 1940 (54 Stat. 1169-1170; 8 U. S. C. 803) is amended by substituting a comma for the word "and" as it appears between the parenthetical (g) and (h) and adding the following after the parenthetical (h): ", and (i)".

Approved July 1, 1944.

## [CHAPTER 369]

## AN ACT

To extend to the custodial-service employees of the Post Office Department certain benefits applicable to postal employees.

July 1, 1944  
[H. R. 4215]  
[Public Law 406]

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,* That all officers and employees (other than charmen and charwomen working part time) of the custodial service of the Post Office Department shall, at the end of each year's satisfactory service, be promoted, at the beginning of the first quarter following the completion of such year's service, to the compensation rate next higher than that of which he is then in receipt until the maximum rate of compensation for the grade to which his position is allocated is reached.

Post Office Department.  
Custodial-service employees.

Promotion.

SEC. 2. The sixth paragraph of section 6 of the Act entitled "An Act reclassifying the salaries of postmasters and employees of the Postal Service, readjusting their salaries and compensation on an equitable basis, increasing postal rates to provide for such readjustment, and for other purposes", approved February 28, 1925, as amended (U. S. C., 1940 edition, title 39, sec. 116, sixth paragraph), is amended to read as follows:

Postal Service.

48 Stat. 1061.

"Dispatchers, mechanics-in-charge, special mechanics, general mechanics, mechanics' helpers, driver-mechanics, and garagemen-drivers in the Motor Vehicle Service, employees of the pneumatic-tube system, and employees of the custodial service, shall be required to work not more than eight hours a day. The eight hours of service shall not extend over a longer period than ten consecutive hours, and the schedules of duties of the employees shall be regulated accordingly. In cases of emergency, or if the needs of the service require, special clerks, clerks, dispatchers, mechanics-in-charge, special mechanics, general mechanics, mechanics' helpers, driver-mechanics, and garagemen-drivers in the Motor Vehicle Service, employees of the pneumatic-tube system, and employees of the custodial service, can be required to work in excess of eight hours per day, and for such overtime service they shall be paid on the basis of the annual pay received by such employees. In computing the compensation for such overtime

Hours of work of designated employees.

Emergencies.

Pay for overtime service.